

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: SUGAR CHAIN STRUCTURE PROFILING  
TECHNIQUES

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Examiner: K. R. Skowronek

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows. It is believed no fee is due; however, the Director is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees to Deposit Account No. 04-0100.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.